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In re application of:	Rao et al.
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FOR:	**Reliable Leader Election In Storage Area Network**

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Examiner: Christensen, Scott B.

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 22, 2009, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the outstanding rejection(s) of the claims in view of the remarks that follow.

DO NOT ENTER

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